

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

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This legislation consolidates the March presidential primary election with the May primary election date, so that all primary elections in the State of Idaho will be held on the third Tuesday in May.

FISCAL NOTE

In fiscal years 2016 and 2020, the presidential primary election cost the State \$1,945,500 and \$2,067,300, respectively. Based on the FY 2020 actual costs, plus an increase due to population growth and inflated costs for elections-related supplies, the presidential primary election will cost the State \$2,500,000 in FY 2024. Additionally, an audit of the presidential primary election is required under Idaho Code Section 1203A. The audit is \$200,000. Therefore, there is a minimum \$2,700,000 savings to the General Fund every four years because of this legislation.

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